

Those to Serve

(B) Calvin Burks

(FV) Judd Wall

(O) Doug Pruett

(A) Jack Wall

1st prayer Mike Mallett

2nd prayer Jorge Garza

Announcements: Jack Wall

Singing: Kevin Grant

Romans 15:4-7 KJV

4 For whatsoever things were written aforetime were written for our learning, that we through patience and comfort of the scriptures might have hope.

5 Now the God of patience and consolation grant you to be likeminded one toward another according to Christ Jesus:

6 That ye may with one mind and one mouth glorify God, even the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

7 Wherefore receive ye one another, as Christ also received us to the glory of God.

Prayer List:

Virginia Lovell

Janell Houts Hall

Odell Mallett

Dora Martinez

Letha Sheldon

Pray for our Nation

Our Troops

Law Enforcement

Rescue Personnel

Please keep Mark & Breta Kirby in your prayers. Mark has been diagnosed with stage 4 Melanoma in the torso/ abdomen area. It has metastasized, so no surgery .

July 25th

Noon Fellowship

August 1st

Mission Fund

August 29th

Noon Fellowship

Happy Anniversary

July 19th

Mike & Connie Mallett

July 25th

Valerie & Jorge Garza

Happy Birthday

Mike Lovell July 16th

Keith Stifflemire July 22nd

Jack Wall August 20th

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Attending church services regularly is like making a path through the forest: the more often you use it, the less obstruction you find in the way."

Sunday Worship:

9:30 am Bible Study

10:20 am Worship

12:30 pm Afternoon

Wednesday Night

6:00 pm

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Are You Sure It Doesn't Matter?

Imagine yourself walking into a drug store to have a prescription filled. You hand the pharmacist the written prescription form from your doctor, and then watch in amazement as he throws it in the wastebasket without even reading it. Then, without reading the label, he hands you a bottle of pills.

By now you've gotten your nerve up, and you ask, "Man, what are you doing?" "Well," he answers, "I'm giving you some medicine."

"But you didn't read the prescription, and you didn't even look at the label on these pills." "It doesn't matter," he says. "Medicine is medicine - one pill is as good as another."

"No sir!" you object, "I want the pills that my doctor prescribed, and no others."

There's very little chance that you will ever visit that drug store again. Common sense says that this is no way to handle the important business of our physical health. Why not allow the same kind of common sense to help us in the far more important realm of spiritual things? For some reason folks have decided that "anything goes" in religion. "Join the church of your choice" has become more than a mere slogan - it is the rule that most people live by. "One church is just as good as another," we are told. How can this possibly be so?

Jesus said, "*In vain they do worship me, teaching for doctrines the commandments of men*" (Matthew 15:9). Note that the Lord says that some worship is "*vain*," meaning worthless or good for nothing. He goes on to explain why it is worthless - because it follows the commandments of men rather than the will of God. Are you sure that one church is as good as another? Think!

- by Greg Gwin

Stuff About Things

Robert F. Turner

Several years back I noticed what I thought was an abnormal number of crickets singing at night. I called it to my wife's attention, but she said she heard nothing. The doctor said it was a chirping within my head (due to sinus stoppage, inner-ear trouble, or something like that) and he sent me to see a specialist.

That specialist irrigated, probed, medicated, steamed, etc., until finally he removed the towels and said, "Let's all be quiet, and see if Mr. Turner hears crickets."

I listened —and, sure enough, no more crickets. Now it sounded like tree frogs. The specialist was sympathetic, but insisted on his fee. After all, he had stopped the crickets. He didn't claim to be a tree-frog specialist. I paid through the nose.

Ours is a day of specialists. Expansion of knowledge is so great that one man can not hope to know it all, even in one field. But it does seem we could retain a few all-around men, specializing in common sense and the know-how for every day affairs of life. Today's emphasis upon ecology should teach us the interrelation of all parts to the whole. And nowhere is this relationship of parts more important than in the study of the Bible. It is natural and probably inevitable that some of us will take a special interest in Bible history, some in the church, some in prophecy, etc. We may go, unashamedly, to the works of this or that specialist to draw on his knowledge of some particular field. But unless these special studies are kept in careful tune with the whole, they may lead us far astray. Witness the prophecy specialist (?) who misses the most obvious fulfillments in Christ and His spiritual kingdom.

Some preachers are better suited to one kind of work than another. One may be a debater, in the right sense. Another may be poorly suited for public discussion, but do well in private teaching. But all should stand firmly for the truth; and neither degrees nor country-style debating can excuse ungodly conduct or compromise.

Of course some specialists do fill an over-all need but are misunderstood because their work is not sufficiently explained. One fellow complained about paying \$25. to have a tooth filled, saying, . . . And then it wasn't more than half full.